Train from Raipur to Amritsar

†1603. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that South Eastern Railway had given an assurance of starting 2409/2410 up train from Raipur to Amritsar;

(b) whether it is also a fact that two new platforms have been constructed at Amritsar station now as a result of which problem related to terminal station has been solved;

(c) if so, whether Government would start train No. 2409/2410 up from Raipur to Amritsar at the earliest to fulfil the long standing demand of people of Chhattisgarh and save their time;

(d) if so, by when; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No additional platform has been constructed at Amritsar in the last two years.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

(e) At present, there is no proposal for extension of 2409/2410 Gondwana Express upto Amritsar due to operational and resource constraints.

Fire in Bogies of Passenger Trains

1604. SHRI ISHWAR SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several bogies of passenger trains caught fire during the last one year in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has investigated the cause of fire in bogies of passenger trains;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Railways to check such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. of incidents reported Rail-wise in last one year is as under:

North Central	North Eastern	East Coast	Central	Northern	South Eastern	South Central
1	1	1	3	2	2	2

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.